

LOCAL

You cannot find a better place to spend Christmas Eve than at the ball to be given by the Knights of Pythias at Acme Hall.

Walden Dillard is still quite sick though slowly improving.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Frakes, of Scappoose, returned home Saturday from Hillsboro, Washington County, where they attended the funeral of Mrs. Ann Gordon, a niece of Mrs. Frakes.

Don't forget the Pomona meeting at Scappoose in February. Have your arrangements made to attend. Prof. Corley and others from the Agricultural College will be present.

Those who appreciate good company and good music will attend the K. P. ball at Acme Hall Christmas Eve.

Mr. C. L. Smith is moving into his new home near Oaks Park. He has a house 24x36 and did all the work himself in 13 day's time.

Hymnals—Lillie Therieia Derrick and Blirt D. Mull were united in wedlock by Justice Watkins, at Helens, on December 9th. Marriage license has been granted Johanna Marie Anderson and Peter Christian Jacobson.

Elsie Cramer, of Rainier, was on Wednesday last, granted a decree of divorce from her husband, Fred Cramer.

MAY BE SOMETHING DOING—Mr. and Mrs. Ruhl have entered into a contract to sell twenty-one acres of land to the Inman-Poulsen Lumber Company, of Portland. The land is a part of the Meeker place and lies between the A. & C. R. R. and the water front tract owned by the Inman-Poulsen Co. It will give them over fifty acres. The purchase of this tract probably means a very large mill for this neighborhood, as the present site of the Inman-Poulsen mill in Portland is becoming very valuable. Moreover, there is litigation between the city and the mill men over the use of the streets. If this is decided against the company their property will be much less available for mill purposes and will probably be abandoned and a great mill built between St. Helens and Columbia City.

Music, music, music. Lesson every Saturday at the Montgomery building.

Men's Club meets Friday evening at 8 o'clock, in the Congregational church. Topic for discussion, "Sunday Laws." All interested are invited.

The Honeyman stock farm, on Monday last, shipped from St. Helens on the steamer Haula, to the Agricultural College, at Corvallis, three head of fat blood Ayreshires, including a heifer and calf. They were beautiful animals and perfect types of their breed.

Mr. Al W. Mueller, recently of Minneapolis, Minnesota, has decided to locate with his family in St. Helens. Mr. Mueller is an attorney and will have offices in the bank building. At present he is enjoying the courtesy of Mr. M. E. Miller's office.

An elegant picture free with every \$5 cash purchase at Wellington's on Saturday December 18th. Come early, for the number is limited.

It will surprise you how quickly you can create a capital when you go about it in the right way. The Columbia County Bank pays 4 per cent.

James and Charles Muckle, St. Helens capitalists, have purchased three lots at the northeast corner of Belmont and Eighth streets, Portland, for the sum of \$17,000. They expect to build some flats.

Limit your spending and save the balance. You must save a part of what you earn. Begin today. The Columbia County Bank will show you how. Time certificates of deposit pay 4 per cent.

DEATH OF SAMUEL HOLADAY—Samuel Holaday, an uncle of Joseph and Ann Holaday, died at the home of his nephew, Joseph, at Deer Island, on Monday last, December 13th, aged 86 years, of old age. He had resided in this county since 1883, coming from Colorado with his brother and nephews. The funeral occurred at the Scappoose cemetery last Tuesday. Further notice of his life will be published in the next week.

Save your money now, Mr. Working man, even at a sacrifice. This is the only way to be independent in your old age. The Columbia County Bank offers every convenience. Time certificates of deposit draw 4 per cent.

Mr. C. T. Prescott and family have moved to Houlton, where Mr. Prescott has purchased a home. Mr. Stout, of the St. Helens Transfer Company, has moved his family into the house vacated by Mr. Prescott.

CARPENTERS—19 and 21 years ago Avery and Opdyke, of Portland, and Hall Bros., of East Portland, Oregon, sold the Self-Setting Planes, made by Gage Tool Co., now eight dealers in Portland sell them. Honeyman Hardware Co., and Columbia Hardware Co., Portland, both have large freight orders at the factory in Vineland, N. J., being filled. Have your dealer send for a few at once. They work easier, better, quicker, saving time, muscle, trouble and temper.

Pictures free. One will give away absolutely free of charge with every \$5 cash purchase at Wellington's, Saturday, Dec. 18th.

\$50 REWARD—I will pay \$50 reward for information that will cause the arrest and conviction of the thief that broke into and robbed my house on Milton Creek. W. A. HARRIS.

FRUIT CAKE FOR CHRISTMAS—Order it from the St. Helens bakery.

Is your house wired? Now is the time to do it. Columbia Electric Works.

COUNCIL MEETING—At the meeting of the City Council last Monday evening an ordinance was passed licensing certain occupations and amusements. A county clerk showing that the taxable value of property in Columbia County is \$32,780. A levy of five mills was made for city purposes. Bond of S. S. Lord for the improvement of Caneau street was approved. Wm. Fanning was called before the council for keeping a disorderly house. He admitted getting into his birthday and having a scrap in his saloon, but was permitted to escape with a reprimand.

Mr. Charles Muckle is building a four foot two story addition to the building occupied as a live ry barn by the St. Helens Transfer Company. The old portion of the barn will be raised to a level with the new and remodeled, giving to the company a very commodious live ry barn.

Mr. Frank Wilkins has begun work on the new building of M. C. Gray, which is to be occupied by the postoffice and Lynch's barber shop.

Saturday, December 18, every cash purchase of \$5 at Wellington's will be accompanied by a beautiful framed picture, absolutely free. Come early, for the number is limited.

HORSES FOR SALE—Inquire of Jack Appleton, Deer Island.

Telephone supplies and repairs. Columbia Electric Works.

We install everything electrical. Columbia Electric Works.

The bazaar given by the Ladies Aid Society last Friday evening realized \$117.20, of which the Sunshine Club secured \$17 and the Boys' Club \$32. The ladies request us to thank their patrons and all who contributed to the success of the enterprise.

The case of the Honeyman Company against the Northern Pacific, for damages for at ek killed by the cars, was tried in the Circuit Court last Wednesday and a verdict promptly rendered for \$300, the full amount claimed.

The first and best present to give your wife or your sweetheart is an invitation to attend the Knights of Pythias ball at Acme Hall Christmas Eve.

Buy a piano for a Christmas present. \$225 up at Montgomery's.

DUCKS TAKEN UP—Otto Erickson and Louis Boesel, of Warren, have taken up nine ducks, which the owner can have by proving property and paying charges.

THE MAYER TRAGEDY.

Anna and Selma Hendrickson, Grace Waud, and Lee Barber perished in the Columbia River, at the head of Walker's Island last Saturday night. Together with nine others they started in a launch to visit the roller skating rink at Rainier. Lee Barber, according to the finding of the coroner's jury, was the only one of the four that drowned, the others dying of exhaustion. At a out ten o'clock Selma and Anna Hendrickson, Grace Waud, Lee Barber, Pearl Proctor, and Frank Jasper decided to return home. Hendrickson son, (brother of the dead girls) who was captain of the launch, refused to return with them, and they secured the services of Amos Card. The boat struck the jetty at the head of Walker's Island and capsized. They clung to the up-turned boat until the tide came in, and when the boat was washed away the boys clung to the piling and the girls clung to the boys' clothing. About 11 o'clock the Lurline threw its search-light on them, but the officers of the boat did not see them, and it is said to have been a very long time before they were seen. For four long and weary hours they clung to the piling, according to one of the survivors, when a last Lee Barber became exhausted and saying, "I am going to sleep," let go his hold and dropped out of sight. He also did Anna and Selma Hendrickson and Grace Waud.

Finally at 6 o'clock the George Burton came along and picked up Amos Card, Frank Jasper and Pearl Proctor more dead than alive. The captain said he believed it had been five minutes later not one of the party would have been found.

Immediately upon hearing of the drowning of his sisters, Mr. Hendrickson secured the services of Counselman J. J. Brown and with Mr. Irwin's launch went to the scene. They found all four bodies clung to the piling to which they had clung. When they let go their hold, the undercurrent held their bodies against the piling where they were pulled out with a pike pole and taken to Rainier at 1 o'clock Saturday afternoon. Colonel Sherwood immediately took charge of the bodies and took them to his undertaking parlors.

As a Hendrickson, one of the dead, had been working for Louis Fichter, stork-keeper and postmaster at Mayer's, Grace Waud, daughter of Ed Waud, of Mayer, had been working for Mrs. John Larsen.

Lee Barber was a son of Dr. M. B. Barber, dentist at Mayer.

Pearl Proctor, the only girl of the party rescued, is a stepdaughter of G. M. Davis. Frank Jasper is the son of Simon Jasper. Amos Card is a logger at present engaged in the logging business. An inquest by Coroner Frank Sherwood was held Monday morning at 9:30 o'clock, the coroner's jury recommending that the body be buried.

After the rescue of the three survivors seven hours later, Miss Proctor told this story to Mrs. McNeely and Mrs. Grunstead, who, for an hour, worked over her in Captain McNeely's cabin:

"The boat did not go clear over at first, and we were all partly out of the water. As the tide came in, higher and higher, the launch did not rise with it because the heavy engine kept it at the original level. At first, when we tried to climb upon the launch, it would turn over. As the tide got above it, however, we managed to get onto its bottom.

"Soon we had to stand. First the water came to our hips, then to our breasts. Finally it was at my neck and I wondered if it was not in my high tide and how much more it could stand.

"Then it came to my chin and I had only from my mouth up above it. The men were helping me all this time—those who were left, for by this time Anna and Selma and Grace Waud and Mr. Barber had given up and were dead.

"Once in a while the waves would wash into my mouth and I would nearly strangle. Amos and Frank were for giving up.

"Well, girls," one of them said, "let's give it up; we'll all die together."

"I said: 'No, stick to it. We'll be saved.'"

"That was as high as the tide went, or all the rest of us would have been drowned, too."

"There were heroes in that launch—too," said Mrs. McNeely, who was on the George Burton when Mrs. Proctor, Anna and Jasper were brought aboard, and who got the only complete recital of the disaster.

"Young Barber did his best to save the two Hendrickson girls, Miss Proctor told me. He helped hold them up for a long time, and that was how his strength got exhausted so soon. He sought to keep their numbers from overtaking them as long as possible. At last he was utterly done out and unable to feel where his body was in the cold water. He had been hanging on nearly three hours and helping too."

"Oh, I'm so sleepy," he said then.

"They tried to save him for a while. Then he said, 'Good by, all; may God help us.' He sank. Soon the two girls, having lost his aid, went down too."

"Even after Grace Waud was dead from exposure and frost, Miss Proctor kept her body up. 'I didn't seem able to let her go, even after she had died,' the girl told me.

"We were on the Oregon side of the river with a tow line and all heard cries coming across the river. The Lurline and another boat passed considerably nearer the wrecked launch than we did, and it seems like the story of the survivors that their cries were heard must have been true, for we heard them distinctly. Our pilot, Mr. Grunstead, turned the searchlight on them, and right away we put over a small boat, and Mate Charlie Velliger and 'Dickhead Steve' started across the Columbia in it.

Those holding cash sale tickets which they wish to use toward securing the beautiful doll in our window Christmas Eve.

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HOLIDAY PASTRY—Order it now from the St. Helens bakery.

Prices greatly reduced on all trimmed hats. Mrs. Nixon.

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Over 500 lots for sale from \$100 up. Will be in St. Helens Saturdays. Terms: 20 per cent cash; balance ten per cent per month. J. B. GODFREY, 221, Board of Trade bldg., Portland. Three fresh cows for sale. Inquire of B. J. Keelan, Deer Island.



December 16, '09

Dear Friend:

I was very tired when I came from down town this morning. Mama sent me down town to get our Christmas things. We have invited lots of friends to come and take Christmas dinner with us. Mama said she wanted to get the very best kind of groceries, because it doesn't look nice to ask people to dinner and not put the nicest things on the table.

Your friend,

JACOB.

P. S. I can't tell you all the nice things we got, but you can get everything you want for Christmas of the very best at

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, being by the County Court, of the State of Oregon, for Columbia County, appointed administrator of the estate of Lucinda Hinchard, deceased, and has duly qualified as such. Now, therefore, all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same to me, with proper vouchers, at the office of the Columbia County Trust Company, at St. Helens, Oregon, within six months from date hereof. Dated this October 27, 1909. E. E. QUICK, Administrator.

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FOR PORTLAND DAILY

PORTLAND LANDING, ALDER ST.

SUMMONS.

In the Circuit Court, of the State of Oregon, for Columbia County. In the matter of the application of E. P. Graham and H. B. Nicholas, to have registered the title to the West half of the Northwest quarter of section 14, Township 6 North, Range 2 West, of the Willamette Meridian, applicants.

VS. Robert Davidson, Walter Davidson, Alexander Davidson, Henry Nicholas, David Goodall, Columbia Timber Company, and all others whom it may concern, Defendants. Take notice that on the 22nd day of September A. D. 1909, an application was filed by said E. P. Graham and H. B. Nicholas, in the Circuit Court of Columbia County, for initial registration of the title of the land above described. Now, unless you appear on or before the 27th day of November A. D. 1909, and show cause why such application shall not be granted, the same will be taken as confessed, and a decree will be entered according to the prayer of the application, and you will be forever barred from disputing the same. W. A. HARRIS, Clerk.

T. J. CLETON, Attorney for Applicant.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Having purchased the interest of James Dart, of Dart & Muckle, we wish to announce to our friends and patrons that the business will be continued under the name of Jas. Muckle & Son. We solicit the patronage of the public, assuring them of courteous treatment and lowest prices, quality considered. Respectfully, JAS. MUCKLE & SON

First published November 18th, 1909. A. L. WHITE, Sheriff of Columbia County, Oregon.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the matter of the estate of John Murhy, deceased. Notice is hereby given that I have been appointed by the county court, of Columbia County, Oregon, administrator of the estate of John Murhy, deceased, and all persons having claims against said estate are directed to present same, with proper vouchers verified under oath as by law required, to me in care of the Oregon Bldg., at St. Helens, Oregon, within six months from date of the first publication of this notice. Claims may be also presented at my office, 301-5 Board of Trade Building, Portland, Oregon. Date of first publication 19th day of November, 1909. Date of last publication 17th day of December, 1909. GEORGE J. PERKINS, Administrator.

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF SALE.

Notice is hereby given, that by virtue of an execution and order of sale issued out of the Circuit Court, of the State of Oregon, for Columbia County, Oregon, in and to which wherein Ashley & Rumlins bankers, a corporation, was plaintiff, and J. Freeman and Mrs. B. M. Freeman were defendants, in which suit a judgment, decree and order of sale was duly rendered and entered on the 10th day of November, 1909, in favor of said plaintiff and against the said defendants and each of them, whereby and wherein the said court ordered and decreed, that the SE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of section 17, township 2 north, range 2 west, of the Willamette Meridian, in Columbia County, Oregon, with all the appurtenances thereto belonging, be sold to satisfy the sum of \$1083.36 with interest thereon at the rate of 6 per cent per annum from November 10th, 1909, and the cost of this writ. Now therefore by virtue of said execution and order of sale, I will, on Saturday the 18th day of December, 1909, at 10 o'clock a. m., at the front of the county court house, in St. Helens, in Columbia County, state of Oregon, sell at public auction (subject to redemption) to the highest bidder for cash in hand, all the right, title and interest which the said defendants or either of them had on the first day of May, 1909, or stock acquired in and to the above described real property to satisfy the said execution, judgment, decree and order of sale, including accrued interest and costs. Dated this 17th day of November, 1909. First published November 18th, 1909. A. L. WHITE, Sheriff of Columbia County, Oregon.

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